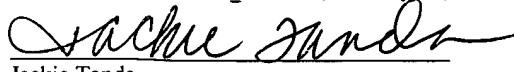


CERTIFICATE OF MAIL

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on May 20, 2004.


Jackie Tanda

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Date: May 20, 2004

Michael J. JOHNSON

Confirmation No. 7028

Serial No: 09/503,676

Group Art Unit: 2155

Filed: February 14, 2000

Examiner: Won, Young N.

For: **GENERIC NETWORK PROTOCOL LAYER WITH SUPPORTING DATA
STRUCTURE**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RECEIVED

MAY 26 2004

Technology Center 2100

Sir:

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In response to the Final Office Action dated March 25, 2003, Applicant submits the following remarks:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.



MAY 24 2004

TRANSMITTAL FORM

Attorney Docket No.
RAL9-99-0124
2710P

AF/2155

5
Use the application Michael J. JOHNSON

Confirmation No: 7028

Serial No: 09/503,676

Group Art Unit: 2155

Filed: February 14, 2000

Examiner: W n, Young N.

For: Generic Network Protocol Layer with Supporting Data Structure

RECEIVED

MAY 26 2004

Technology Center 2100

ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Amendment/Reply	<input type="checkbox"/>	Assignment and Recordation Cover Sheet	<input type="checkbox"/>	After Allowance Communication to Group
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	After Final	<input type="checkbox"/>	Part B-Issue Fee Transmittal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences
<input type="checkbox"/>	Information disclosure statement	<input type="checkbox"/>	Letter to Draftsman	<input type="checkbox"/>	Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Form 1449	<input type="checkbox"/>	Drawings	<input type="checkbox"/>	Status Letter
<input type="checkbox"/>	(X) Copies of References	<input type="checkbox"/>	Petition	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Postcard
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension of Time Request *	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fee Address Indication Form	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below):
<input type="checkbox"/>	Express Abandonment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Terminal Disclaimer		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Certified Copy of Priority Doc	<input type="checkbox"/>	Power of Attorney and Revocation of Prior Powers		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Response to Incomplete Appln	<input type="checkbox"/>	Change of Correspondence Address		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Response to Missing Parts	*Extension of Term: Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136, Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response for xxxxx month(s), from to .			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Executed Declaration by Inventor(s)				

CLAIMS

FOR	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest # of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	46	46	0	\$18.00	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	12	12	0	\$86.00	\$ 0.00
				Total Fees	\$ 0.00

METHOD OF PAYMENT

<input type="checkbox"/>	Check no. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed for payment of fees.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. _____ (Account Holder Name) for payment of fees.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Charge any fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>50-0563</u> (IBM Corporation)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT

Attorney Name	Joseph A. Sawyer, Jr., Reg. No. 30,801
Signature	
Date	May 20, 2004

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on this date: May 20, 2004

Type or printed name	Jackie Tanda
Signature	